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For

RECONSTITUTING RETROVIRAL VECTOR (RECON

VECTOR) FOR TARGETED GENE EXPRESSION

ASSERTION OF ENTITLEMENT TO SMALL ENTITY STATUS

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Sir:

Applicant's attorneys of record hereby assert, based on a determination made pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.127(f), that Institut für Virologie, Teilrechtsfähiges Institut an der Veterinärmedizinischen Universität Wien. ("Institut für Virologie"), owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-identified application is entitled to small entity status as defined in 37 C.F.R. 1.127(a). In support of the assertion, Applicants submit two enclosed Statement Claiming Small Entity Status documents, one executed by the head of the Institut für



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Statement Claiming Small Entity Status (37 CFR 1.9(f) & 1.27(c)) – Small Business Concern

Applicant:

Institut für Virologie, Teilrechtsfähiges Institut an der Veterinärmedizinischen

Universität Wien, Veterinärplatz 1, A-1210 Wien, Austria

Application No.: 09/610,215

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Title:

Reconstituting Retroviral Vector (ReCon Vector) for Targeted Gene Expression

I hereby state that I am an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below

Name of Small Business Concern:

FSG Biotechnologie GmbH - Austrianova

Address of Small Business Concern: Veterinärplatz 1, A-1210 Wien, Austria

No. of Employees:

less than 35

Average Gross Receipts:

less than 350.000 US\$

I hereby state that the small business concern identified above qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 CFR Part 121 for purposes of paying reduced fees to the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

I hereby state that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern regarding the above identified invention. If the rights held by the nonprofit organization are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights in the invention must file separate statements as to their status as small entities and that no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who would not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person made the invention, or any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

Each person, concern, or organization having any rights in the invention is listed below:

Institut für Virologie, Teilrechtsfähiges Institut an der Veterinärmedizinischen Universität, Wien, Veterinärplatz 1, A-1210 Wien, Austria

I acknowledge the duty to file, in the application or patent, notification of any changes in status resulting in loss or entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate (37 CFR 1.28(b))

Name of Person Signing:

Dr. Brian Salmons

Title of Person Other Than Owner::

Managing Director Science

Address of Person Signing:

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Date: 1st September 2003

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Respectfully submitted,

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Statement Claiming Small Entity Status CFR 1.9(f) & 1.27(d)) – Nonprofit Organization

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Title:

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Name of Nonprofit Organization:

Institut für Virologie, Teilrechtsfähiges Institut an der

Veterinärmedizinischen Universität Wien

Address of Nonprofit Organization: Veterinärplatz 1, A-1210 Wien, Austria

Type of Nonprofit Organization:

University

I hereby state that the nonprofit organization identified above qualifies as a nonprofit organization as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(e) for purposes of paying reduced fees to the United States Patent and Trademark Office regarding the invention described in the application identified above.

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Name of Person Signing:

Prof. Walter H. Günzburg

Title in Organization of Person Signing

Head of the Institut für Virologie

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Signature

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